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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]

Party: Democratic • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (78 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D · IA		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Johanns, Mike [R-NE]	R · NE		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Feb 14, 2013
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Feb 26, 2013
Sen. Hagan, Kay R. [D-NC]	D · NC		Feb 26, 2013
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Feb 26, 2013
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Feb 26, 2013
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 7, 2013
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 11, 2013
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Mar 13, 2013
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	D · WV		Mar 18, 2013
Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]	D · ND		Mar 22, 2013
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Apr 15, 2013
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Apr 25, 2013
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		May 7, 2013
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		May 7, 2013
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		May 8, 2013
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		May 8, 2013
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		May 15, 2013
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 17, 2013
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Jun 18, 2013
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Jul 18, 2013
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Sep 10, 2013
Sen. Donnelly, Joe [D-IN]	D · IN		Sep 10, 2013
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Sep 10, 2013
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Sep 10, 2013

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Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Sep 10, 2013
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Sep 10, 2013
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Sep 23, 2013
Sen. Kirk, Mark Steven [R-IL]	R · IL		Sep 26, 2013
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Nov 12, 2013
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Nov 12, 2013
Sen. Heller, Dean [R-NV]	R · NV		Nov 18, 2013
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Nov 20, 2013
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Nov 20, 2013
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Dec 9, 2013
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA		Dec 9, 2013
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Dec 12, 2013
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Dec 16, 2013
Sen. Ayotte, Kelly [R-NH]	R · NH		Dec 17, 2013
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Dec 17, 2013
Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	R · TN		Dec 19, 2013
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Dec 19, 2013
Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]	R · ND		Dec 19, 2013
Sen. Fischer, Deb [R-NE]	R · NE		Dec 20, 2013
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Dec 20, 2013
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Feb 12, 2014
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Feb 27, 2014
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Mar 5, 2014
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 10, 2014
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Mar 10, 2014
Sen. McConnell, Mitch [R-KY]	R · KY		Mar 24, 2014
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV		Mar 24, 2014
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		Mar 26, 2014
Sen. Toomey, Patrick [R-PA]	R · PA		Apr 1, 2014
Sen. Udall, Mark [D-CO]	D · CO		Apr 29, 2014
Sen. Scott, Tim [R-SC]	R · SC		May 22, 2014
Sen. Lee, Mike [R-UT]	R · UT		Jun 11, 2014
Sen. Walsh, John E. [D-MT]	D · MT		Jun 23, 2014
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Dec 4, 2014
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Dec 8, 2014
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Dec 8, 2014
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Dec 11, 2014

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 13, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 647	Identical bill	Jan 2, 2015: LAID ON THE TABLE - Without objection, the Chair announced that H.R. 647 is laid on the table.
113 HR 5771	Related bill	Dec 19, 2014: Became Public Law No: 113-295.

Summary (as of Feb 13, 2013)

Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2013 or the ABLE Act of 2013 - Amends the Internal Revenue Code to establish tax-exempt ABLE accounts to assist an individual with a disability in building an account to pay for qualified disability expenses. Defines "qualified disability expenses" to include expenses for education, including higher education expenses, a primary residence, transportation, obtaining and maintaining employment, health and wellness, and other personal support expenses.

Treats a qualified ABLE program and an ABLE account in the same manner as a qualified tuition program for income tax purposes (i.e., allowing a tax exemption for such program and an exclusion from gross income of amounts attributable to a contributor to or a beneficiary of a program account). Defines "qualified ABLE program" as a program established and maintained by a state agency under which a person may make contributions to an ABLE account established to pay for qualified disability expenses.

Requires amounts in ABLE accounts to be disregarded in determining eligibility for Medicaid and other means-tested federal programs. Suspends the payment of supplemental security income benefits under title XVI (Supplemental Security Income) of the Social Security Act to an individual during any period in which such individual has excess resources attributable to an ABLE account.

Actions Timeline

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